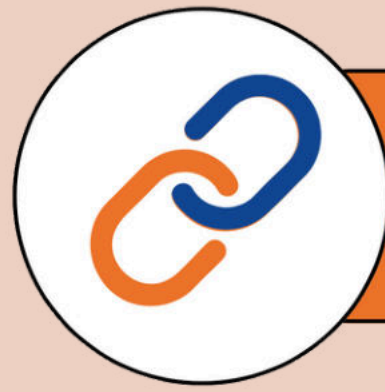


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India

1. Which matching of the following List-I with List-II is correct regarding the 18th Lok Sabha?

List-I

List-II

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. Protem Speaker – Bhartrihari Mahtab | |
| 2. Total Voting Percentage – 65.79% | |
| 3. Leader of Opposition – Balram Jakhar | |
| 4. Leader of the House – Rahul Gandhi | |

Code:

- (A) Only 1 and 2
 (B) Only 2 and 3
 (C) Only 1, 2 and 3
 (D) Only 1 and 4
 (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:-

Leader of Opposition - Rahul Gandhi
 Leader of the House - Narendra Modi

Know More

- ❖ Lok Sabha Speaker - Om Birla
- ❖ Biggest victory in India - Shankar Lalwani (Indore) by 10.08 lakh votes

Facts in special context of Rajasthan

Women lok sabha MPs - 3

- 1 Sanjana Jatav
 2 Manju Sharma
 3 Mahima Kumari Mewar
- ❖ Biggest victory - Mahima Kumari Mewar
 - ❖ Smallest victory - Rao Rajendra
 - ❖ Youngest MP- Sanjana Jatav
 - ❖ There are 4 Scheduled Caste (SC) MPs
 - ❖ There are 3 Scheduled Tribe (ST) MPs

2. Where was the Indian Air Force exercise "Vayu Shakti 2024" organized?

- (A) Chandan Field Firing Range (Jaisalmer)
 (B) Pokhran (Jaisalmer)

- (C) Mohangarh (Sikar)
 (D) Mahajan Field Firing Range (Bikaner)
 (E) Unanswered Question

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:- In this exercise, the Air Force also tested the missile "Mika Missile" with fire and forget capability.

Other exercises

- ❖ Exercises held in **Bikaner**
 - "Desert Cyclone" 2024
Mahajan Field Range Bikaner
- ❖ Exercises held in **Jodhpur**
 - **Tarang Shakti 2024** - Multinational Air Force Exercise held at Jodhpur Air Base(2nd phase)
- ❖ Exercise held in **Jaisalmer**
- ❖ **Vayu Shakti 2024** - Chandan Field Firing Range
- ❖ "**Bharat Shakti**" is an integrated war exercise of the three Indian armies, Army, Air Force and Navy, which is held at Pokhran Field Firing Range

3. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer from the codes given below:

List-1

List-2

(day)

(date)

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| (a) World Braille Day | (i) 12 January |
| (b) National Startup Day | (ii) 04 January |
| (c) National Girl Child Day | (iii) 16 January |
| (d) National Youth Day | (iv) 24 January |
- (A) (a)-ii (b)-iii (c)-iv (d)- i
 (B) (a)-ii (b)-iv (c)-iii (d)- i
 (C) (a)-iii (b)-ii (c)-iv (d)- i
 (D) (a)-iv (b)-i (c)-iii (d)-ii
 (E) Question Not Attempted

Answer- (A)

Explanation:-

Important days of January

- ❖ World Braille Day - 4 January
- ❖ National Startup Day - 16 January
- ❖ National Girl Child Day - 24 January
- ❖ National Youth Day - 12 January





36. What was the rank of India in the recently released "Logistics Performance Index 2023"?

- (A) 38th
(B) 33rd
(C) 43rd
(D) 23rd
(E) Unanswered Question

Answer:- (A)

❖ **Explanation:-See the table of Question no 18**

Solution

37. What is the full form of the "Abaar" innovation created recently under the new National Education Policy 2020?

- (A) Automated Student Account Registry
(B) Student Scholarship Automated Account Registry
(C) Advanced and Enhanced Student Account Registry
(D) Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry
(E) Unanswered Question

Answer:- (D)

Explanation:-

APAAR- Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry

★ **Other Important Abbreviations**

ABHA- Ayushman Bharat Health Account

RUDA- Rural Non-Farm Development Agency

RITI - Rajasthan Institute of Transformation and Innovation

CAZRI- Central Arid Zone Research Institute

CSIR- Council of Scientific and Industrial Research

RARI - Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute

REPC - Rajasthan Export Promotion Council

RREC- Rajasthan Renewable Energy Corporation Limited

38. Where was "Milan Exercise-2024" organized recently?

- (A) Rann of Kutch
(B) Visakhapatnam
(C) Gulf of Mannar
(D) Kolkata
(E) Unanswered Question

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

Started in 1995

Edition- 12th (2024)

Organized at - Visakhapatnam

Period - Biannual

Type - Multilateral Naval Exercise

India and country	Name of exercise
USA	Yudh abhyas , Vajra prahar , Tiger triumph , Cope India , Malabar
Japan	Dharm Guardian , JIMEX , Sahyog Kaizin
Britain	Ajay warrior
Thailand	Maitri
France	Shakti , Garud(Air force) , Varun(Navy)
Nepal	Surya Kiran
Malaysia	Udar Shakti
Sri lanka	Mitra Shakti , SLINEX

International

1. Recently 5 countries joined as full members of "BRICS Group". Which of the following is not included?

- (A) Ethiopia
(B) Iran
(C) Saudi Arabia
(D) Argentina
(E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (D)

Explanation:-

★ **BRICS**

- is an intergovernmental organization
- Founded in - 2009
- **Members** - China , India , Russia , South Africa , Brazil
- **Newly added** - Egypt , Ethiopia , Iran , UAE , Saudi Arabia,

Summit 2024 - Russia

2. Select the correct matching option from List-1 and List-2 with reference to the summit and event of the following organizations/institutions to be held in 2024.

List-1

1. BRICS
2. Non-Aligned Movement
3. G-7
4. Shanghai Cooperation Organization

List-2

- a. Russia
- b. Uganda
- c. Italy
- d. Kazakhstan



4. Recently, which year has been designated as "International Year of the Camel" by the United Nations?

- (A) 2025
- (B) 2024
- (C) 2023
- (D) 2026
- (E) Unattempted questions

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

International Camel Year-2024

YEAR	Designation
2023	International Millets Year
2024	International Year of the Camel
2025	International Year of Quantum Science and Technology

5. Recently 5 countries joined as full members of "BRICS Group". Which of the following is not included?

- (A) Ethiopia
- (B) Iran
- (C) Saudi Arabia
- (D) Argentina
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (D)

Explanation:-

★ BRICS

- is an intergovernmental organization
- Founded in - 2009
- **Members** - China , India , Russia , South Africa , Brazil
- **Newly added** - Egypt , Ethiopia , Iran , UAE , Saudi Arabia,
- **Summit 2024** - Russia

6. The seventh "Indian Ocean Conference" was held at which place?

- (A) Bangladesh
- (B) Australia
- (C) India
- (D) Thailand
- (E) Unanswered Question

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-held at - perth(Australia)

Theme:- Towards a stable and sustainable Indian Ocean

India was represented by External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar

- See the Solution Table of Question no.1(Page-14)

Rajasthan

1. Consider the following statements regarding the post of Chief Minister in Rajasthan:
 1. Shri Bhajanlal Sharma became the 16th Chief Minister.
 2. Under Article 166, the Chief Minister is appointed by the Governor.
 3. Till now only Mohanlal Sukhadia, Haridev Joshi, Bhairon Singh Shekhawat, Ashok Gehlot have been appointed to the post of Chief Minister at least thrice.
 4. Minimum Tenure – Hiralal Devpura
- Identify the **true statement/s**.

Code:

- (A) Only 1 & 2
- (B) Only 3 and 4
- (C) Only 3
- (D) Only 2 and 3
- (E) Question not attempted

❖ **Answer- (B)**

Explanation:-

Post of Chief Minister

- Shri Bhajanlal Sharma became the **14th Chief Minister**.
- Under Article 164, the Governor appoints the Chief Minister.

❖ **Other Facts**

- **Longest** tenure - **Mohanlal Sukhadia** (17 years)
- **Smallest** tenure - **Hiralal Devpura** (16 days)
- **Four times** Chief Minister - **Mohanlal Sukhadia**
- **Three times** Chief Minister

1. Haridev Joshi
2. Bhairon Singh Shekhawat
3. Ashok Gehlot

❖ **Facts from 16th Assembly:-**

❖ **Total** 75.45% voting in the state

❖ **Men** - 74.53%

❖ **Women** - 74.72%

❖ 0.83% voting by **postal ballot**

❖ **Protem Speaker** - Kalicharan Saraf

❖ **Speaker** - Vasudev Devnani

❖ **Chief Minister** - Bhajanlal Sharma

❖ **6th and 7th Deputy Chief Ministers** Diya Kumari and Premchand Bairwa respectively.

❖ **Women MLAs** - 20

**Sports Activity**

1. Where was the IISF World Cup Shooting organized in January 2024?

- (A) Tokyo
- (B) Cairo
- (C) Paris
- (D) Rio
- (E) Question Not Attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

❖ **ISSF World Cup Shooting -**

- Event - **Cairo** [January, 2024]
- **Divyansh Singh Panwar**- Won Gold Medal.
- **Sonam Uttam Maskar**- Silver Medal
- **Rhythm Sangwan** - Ujjwal Malik- Gold Medal [10m Air Pistol]
- **Anuradha Devi**- 10m Air Pistol-Silver Medal

2. Who was the runner-up team of Vijay Hazare Trophy 2023-24?

- (A) Haryana
- (B) Rajasthan
- (C) Vidarbha
- (D) Saurashtra
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

Haryana won Vijay hazare trophy

❖ **Vijay Hazare Trophy 2023-24**

- Winner - Haryana
- Runner up – Rajasthan
- ❖ **IPL 2024**-Kolkata Knight Riders
- **Thomas Cup** (male badminton)-China won
- **Uber Cup** (female badminton)-China
- **Fa cup** (Football)-Manchester United won
- **La Liga 2024** (Football)-Real Madrid won
- **EPL** English premier league (football)-Manchester City
- **Azlan Shah Cup 2024(Hockey)**-Japan won
- **Cricket Asia Cup**(women)=Sri Lanka

3. Identify the wrong option from the following options for the players and sports in discussion.

- (A) Maheshwari Chauhan - Shooting
- (B) Yug Chalani - Swimming
- (C) Mona Agarwal - Wrestling
- (D) Sunder Singh Gurjar - Javelin Throw
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (C)

Explanation:-

Mona Agarwal - Shooting

Sport	Player
Cycling	Khetaram Chiga, Vimal Machra, Nikita Kumari
Shooting	Devyani Rathore, Vinay Pratap Singh and Ashwini Chaudhary, Maheshwari Chauhan, Mona Agarwal, Anant Jeet Singh Naruka.
Wrestling	Anuj Kumar Vishnoi, Ekta Kumari
Swimming	Yug Chelani
Weightlifting	Ankita

4. Which athlete was honored with the country's first "Divyang Khel Award" announced in 2023?

- (A) Sheetal Devi, Sumit Antil
- (B) Devendra Jhajharia, Pinky
- (C) Avni Lekhra, Sheetal Devi
- (D) Sanjeev Singh and Avni Lekhra
- (E) Unanswered Question

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:-

First Divyang Khel Award 2023

- ❖ **Best Female Athlete**
 - Sheetal Devi
 - Para Archer
- ❖ **Best Male Athlete**
 - Sumit Antil
 - Para Javelin
- ❖ **Lifetime Achievement Award**
 - **Murlikant Petkar**
 - (India's first Paralympic gold medalist - swimming)
- ❖ **Major Dhyan Chand Team of the Year**
 - **Blind Chess Team**
- ★ **Other Awards**
 - ❖ **Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award 2023**
 - Satvik Sairaj
 - Chirag Shetty
 - ❖ **Dronacharya Award 2023**
 - (1) Ganesh Prabhakara (2) Mahavir Saini
 - (3) Lalit Kumar (4) RB Ramesh (5) Shivendra Singh

**Science & Technology**

1. "EXPoSAT" was successfully launched by ISRO in January 2024. From which place was it launched?
- APJ Abdul Kalam Island, Orissa
 - Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota
 - Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Kerala
 - Mahendra Giri Propulsion Center, Tamil Nadu
 - Question not attempted

Answer- (B)**Explanation:-**

- ❖ Launched on 1 January 2024.
- ❖ Launch site - Satish Dhawan Space Center Sriharikota
- ❖ Launch vehicle - **PSLV c-58**
- ❖ Payloads - Polix and XSPECT
- ❖ fourth stage of PSLV - **POEM-3**

2. Recently, India's first military spy satellite, which was prepared by Tata Advanced System Limited, was launched by whom?
- ISRO
 - SpaceX
 - JAXA
 - ESA
 - Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)**Explanation:-**

TATA Advanced System Limited prepared the country's first military spy satellite which was launched by Elon Musk's company SpaceX.

★ **Some important missions of ISRO**

Launcher	Mission name	Date
LVM3-M4	Chandrayaan 3	14 JULY 2023
PSLV C-57	Aditya L-1	2 SEPTEMBER 2023
PSLV C-58	XPoSAT	1 JANUARY 2024
GSLV F-14	INSAT 3DS	17 FEBRUARY 2024
SSLV D-3	EOS-08	16 AUGUST 2024

3. "Moon Sniper Mission" which was in the news recently is related to which nation?
- America
 - UAE
 - Japan
 - South Korea
 - Question Not Attempted

Answer:- (C)**Explanation:-**

Country	Moon mission name
India	Chandrayaan
Japan	Moon Sniper, (SLIM)
Russia	Luna 25
USA	CAPSTONE, Apollo, Odysseus (first private)
China	Chang'e 3
South korea	Korea pathfinder lunar orbiter (Danuri)

4. Consider the following statements with reference to National Science Day.
- It is celebrated every year on 28 February.
 - This day is celebrated in memory of the "discovery of boson particles" by Satyendra Nath Bose.

Which of the above statements is/are false?

- Statement 1 Only
- Statement 2 Only
- Both Statement 1 and 2
- Neither Statement 1 nor Statement 2
- Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)**Explanation:-****National Science Day- 28 February****The discovery of "Raman Impact" by CV Raman is commemorated**

5. POEM-3 (PSLV Orbital Experiment Module-3) is related to which of the following missions?
- EXPOSAT
 - ADITYA L-1
 - Chandrayaan 3
 - INSAT-3 DS
 - Unanswered Question

Answer:- (A)**Explanation:-**

- ❖ POEM-3 is an initiative of ISRO which uses the exhausted fourth stage of PSLV rocket as an orbital platform.
- ❖ POEM 1 = PSLV C- 53
POEM 2 = PSLV C- 55
POEM 3 = PSLV C- 58

★ **Some important missions of ISRO**★ **see the Solution Table of Question no.2**